

C3.2.10 Permits and approvals

C3.2.10.1 Waterway

Department of Natural Resources List of Meandered Streams 22 December 2006

Iowa Department of Natural Resources Sovereign Lands Construction Permits are required for work on or over meandered streams. (This is a different permit than a Floodplain Development Permit.) The term “meandered stream” for this permit is a legal description where the State of Iowa owns the stream bed and banks of certain reaches of rivers. A meandered stream is one which at the time of the original government survey was so surveyed as to mark, plat and compute acreage of adjacent fractional sections. DNR is responsible for this state-owned land and therefore issues a Construction Permit. The following is a list of the descriptions of the limits of these rivers in the state of Iowa.

1. Des Moines River. From Mississippi River to the junction of the east and west branches. The west branch to west line T95N, R32W, Palo Alto County, due south of Emmetsburg. The east branch to north line T95N, R29W, Kossuth County, near the north edge of Algona.
2. Iowa River. From Mississippi River to west line T81N, R11W, Iowa County, due north of Ladora.
3. Cedar River. From Iowa River to west line T89N, R13W, Black Hawk County, at the east edge of Cedar Falls.
4. Raccoon River. From Des Moines River to west line of Polk County.
5. Wapsipinicon River. From Mississippi River to west line T86N, R6W, Linn County northwest of Central City.
6. Maquoketa River. From Mississippi River to west line T84N, R3E Jackson County, due north of Maquoketa.
7. Skunk River. From Mississippi River to north line of Jefferson County, at the southwest edge of Coppock.
8. Turkey River. From Mississippi River to west line T95N, R7W, Fayette County, northwest of Clermont.
9. Nishnabotna River. From Missouri River to north line T67N, R42W, Fremont County, northeast of Hamburg.
10. Upper Iowa River. From Mississippi River to west line Section 28, T100N, R4W, Allamakee County, about two and one-half miles upstream from its mouth.
11. Little Maquoketa River. From Mississippi River to west line Section 35, T90N, R2E, Dubuque County, about one mile upstream from its mouth.
12. Mississippi River, Missouri River, Big Sioux River.

C3.2.10.2 Railroad

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